

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this Application is respectfully requested. Claims 1-28 are pending in the application, with 1, 18, and 24 being the independent claims. Based on the following remarks and submission, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider all outstanding rejections and that they be withdrawn.

Nonstatutory Obviousness-type Double Patenting Rejection

Claims 1-28 are rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-13 of U.S. Patent No. 6,739,863 to Olaru in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,464,909 to Kazmer *et al.* A terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR §1.321(c) and fee under 37 CFR §1.20(d) are filed herewith to overcome this rejection. As such, claims 1-28 are now in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

All of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly accommodated or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding rejections and that they be withdrawn. Applicant believes that a full and complete reply has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,
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